

MOTION GRANTED

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BEFORE THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR VETERANS CLAIMS

LEO ROBINSON,
Appellant,
V.
ROBERT A. MCDONALD,
Secretary of Veterans Affairs,
Appellee.

CASE NO. 15-4105

RULE 27 MOTION FOR AN EXPEDITED DECISION

HEARING DATE: NONE

HEARING TIME: N/A

JUDGE: HONORABLE MARGARET BARTLEY

Now comes Appellant in with this motion before this honorable Court requesting the decision of the Court be expedited. The basis for the motion is twofold. First, the veteran is ninety-four years old and in failing health. Second, the VA has caused unnecessary delays leading to ten years of impediment before Appellant could actually obtain a decision on the merits of his CUE claim. All briefs in the matter have been filed with this Court including Appellant's brief, Secretary's brief and Appellant's reply brief. The record was field by the Secretary. The case

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is ready for the Court to decide the matter.

FACTS

Appellant, Mr. Robinson is 94 years old and is seeking benefits based upon CUE as well as violations of his due process rights. On October 28, 2015 Appellant filed his Notice of Appeal from a BVA decision denying CUE and remedies for violation of his due process rights. Appellant filed his brief on June 16, 2016 followed by a motion for the Court to accept his new brief in lieu of prior brief on June 16, 2016. Appellant's brief was accepted on June 20, 2016. The Secretary filed his brief on September 30, 2016. Appellant filed his reply brief on October 11, 2016. Appellant filed the equivalent of a Form 9 in his CUE claim in 2005. The VA ignored this document appealing the Statement of the Case from the Regional Office. That led to years of unnecessary litigation in this matter. Appellant could not convince the VA of the fact that an equivalent Form 9 had been filed twice with them. It was not until the chief of the appeals branch for the Department of Justice intervened that the VA was convinced the matter had been appealed within the appropriate time constraints. Thereafter, Appellant returned to the RO and litigated the CUE Claim with them, to the BVA and finally to this Court. It is somewhat of a miracle this veteran is still alive. He could easily have been one of the thousands of veterans who cases remained undecided because of their death.